

The Evening Telegram

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1886.

WHAT HONOR MEANS.

A Few Remarks for the Benefit of the Acting Attorney General.

Not all the threats, or favors of a crown. A prince's whisper, or a tyrant's frown. Can give the spirit, or allure the mind Of him who to strict honor is inclin'd.

We are informed that the present Acting Attorney General—when reminded, the other day, of his dishonorable and treacherous conduct in connection with the coalition conspiracy—shrugged his shoulders and exclaimed, in the words of Sir Jack Falstaff: "Fahaw! honor is a mere scutcheon."

It is a beautiful illustration of what is meant by "honor and regard to truth." We hope Mr. McNelly will give it as much thoughtful consideration as possible during his leisure hours to-morrow.

Clemens, King of Sparta, sent a herald to acquaint the people of Megalopolis that he would restore to them the possession of their city, provided they would renounce their league with the Achaeans, and enter into a friendship and confederacy with Sparta.

Some persons know where their own political rights end, and stop there. There are many half-ignorant and half-unprincipled people in the world, however, who do not.

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What sort of people are these? do we hear the reader enquire. Are they such as Christian people are in the habit of sending missionaries out to? Are they "heathens," such as the good old mission ship John Williams, of the London Missionary Society, was for so many years actively employed in the good work of "converting?"

Ab, no! The people who practice these political thefts are not "heathens." Would that they were! There would be some chance of their being "converted" already.

These people are they, does the reader ask. Ab, reader! they are the very pillars of the Christian Church! They go round with the collection box! They, voice the grand amen! in the great congregation. They point to brighter worlds and lead the way! They march at the very head of the "Onward Christian Soldiers" that procession themselves and one another all along the road to Zion, where there is and shall be so much gold in "the streets thereof" that no poor hungry-hearted Christian will ever again be tempted to stoop down and steal it from his neighbor!

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They have extinguished the franchise, abolished Responsible Government, bought up the Opposition, obliterated the Liberal Party, increased the taxes, augmented the Public Debt, raised the Allan subsidy, and now contemplate "pauperizing" the principal outport districts of the island at the public expense. By the end of 1886 they will have THREE-FOURTHS of the out-harbor population the recipients of pauper relief.

The Central District Court.

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RECOLLECTIONS OF MY YOUTH OF FIFTY YEARS AGO.

(Continued.) ROMAN CATHOLIC.

Bishop Michael Anthony Fleming. This eminent prelate succeeded Dr. Scallan, and through his energy and unwearying exertions the magnificent cathedral was built; Dr. Fleming, however, died before it was finished, much to his regret. In appearance and manners he was the counterpart of Bishop Spencer.

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(Continued.) PRESBYTERIAN.

The minister of St. Andrew's was the Rev. Donald Fraser, a man highly educated and who, by his eloquence, built up a large congregation of his Scottish countrymen. After a few years residence, death put a period to his further usefulness. He died greatly regretted by all classes of the community. The Rev. Mr. Evans, Congregational minister, officiated at the funeral and delivered an eloquent and touching sermon from the words—"He was a burning and shining light," &c. The sermon was published at the time.

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